		1999-2000(Q)	2000-01 (R)
3.	Electricity, gas & water supply	5.2	4.7
4.	Construction	8.1	5.5
III.	Services	9.6	7.7
5.	Trade, hotels, transport and communication	8.0	6.9
6.	Financial Services*	10.1	9.1
7.	Community, social & personal services	11.8	7.8
IV.	Total GDP at factor cost	6.4	5.2

*includes financing, insurance, real estate & business services. Q: Quick Estimate; R: Revised Estimate

Continuance of Voluntary Retirement Scheme

1008. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employees belonging to public sector banks who opted for Voluntary Retirement Scheme;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Scheme is going to spill-over to next year *i.e.* 2001-2002; and

(c) the total number of employees relieved in the State Bank of India by 31st March, 2001?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) as per the latest available information, Banks have received 1.27 lakh applications under the Voluntary Retirement Scheme.

(b) The Scheme for Voluntary Retirement was closed in all the Banks before 31.3.2001. However, processing of the applications as well as relieving of the employees, wherever considered necessary by the banks, has been planned in phases spilling over to the year 2001-2002.

(c) The total number of employees relieved in the State Bank of India under Voluntary Retirement Scheme is 20,784.

Recovery of NPAs by Banks and FIs

1009. SHRI N. K. PREMACHANDRAN. Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the latest position of Non-Performing Assets (NPA) with Banks and Financial Institutions by March, 2001;

(b) what was the total Non-performing Assets with Banks and Financial Institutions at the end of 1998-99;

(c) how many suits filed by Public Sector Banks and Financial Institutions are pending for the recovery of Non-Performing Assets; and

(d) what is the share of the Members of the country's Apex Chambers of Commerce and Industry in the total Non-Performing Assets?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that the gross Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) of public sector banks and all India financial